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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Notice of Paper Submission Under 37 C.F.R. 1.34(a)

The present paper is submitted under 37 CFR 1.34(a) and MPEP 405 by an undersigned Applicant's representative who is not the attorney of record in the present application. All communications regarding the present application should continue to be directed to the attorney of record, Ivan S. Kavrukov, Cooper & Dunham LLP, 1155 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants acknowledge and appreciate allowance of Claims 1-30 and 43-47, and the indication that dependent claims 33-42 would be allowable if placed in independent form (with antecedents clarified as needed).

Claims 31-32

The Office Action rejected Claim 31 under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Zhou et. al. (6,498,680) ("Zhou"), with particular reference to FIG. 11 of Zhou. Claim 31 has been amended to further recite that the second resonant cavity is "distinct from said first resonant cavity." As understood, with reference to Zhou's FIG. 11, their resonator 1130 is a *single* resonant cavity receiving both beams. Therefore, Zhou does not teach a "second beam along a second path that includes a second resonant cavity *distinct from said first resonant cavity*" (emphasis added) as recited in Claim 31, as amended. Because Claim 31, as amended, is not anticipated by Zhou, dependent Claim 32 is likewise not anticipated.

Entry of this amendment and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

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If a telephone interview could advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the attorney of record, Ivan S. Kavrukov, at (212)-278-0400.

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